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**Torrance Theatre**  
**Has Big Features**

The Torrance theatre has secured some unusual features for this week, among them being Tom Mix in "Just Tony." This picture is described as the big show with the wonder horse. It will be shown Thursday and Friday, May 10 and 11.

Saturday, May 12, Ben Turpin appears in the Sennett comedy, "The Shriek of Araby." The five-reel film is full of riotous fun and is said to be a sure cure for the "blues." The latest Mack Sennett photoplay burlesque of adventure and red-hot romance on the burning desert, satirizing "The Sheik," contradicts all statements relative to the manner in which the Arabians live. In this film Ben Turpin and Kathryn McGuire, the featured players, would make you believe that ham and ostrich eggs were the regular morning meal and that the milkman delivered the milk and cream each day, and even the newsboy left the daily papers at the tent entrance; also that living in a tent is as clean, wholesome and comfortable as a hotel. Herbert Rawlinson, supported by an able cast, will be seen in "The Scarlet Car" Tuesday and Wednesday, May 8 and 9.

**WILL AWARD MEDALS**

Young men of California who attend Citizens' Military Training Camps at Del Monte or Fort Winfield Scott next July and August will have a chance to return home with real medals on their breasts. Colonel Ernest V. Smith, United States Army, who will command the camps, has just announced that a handsome bronze medal will be awarded to each member of six companies at Del Monte, who during the thirty days of the camp, proves himself the best soldier. These medals will be awarded at public parade with full military pomp and ceremony, with bands playing, flags flying and distinguished regular army officers present. There will be other valuable rewards for skill in athletic competitions and the young man who proves himself the most proficient in radio will receive the finest and most up-to-date radio set the American Radio Corporation can turn out.

Applications are reaching Headquarters Ninety-first Division, Presidio of San Francisco, in great numbers daily and Colonel Smith declares that young men of Los Angeles county must hurry if they expect to enroll for this free vacation this year. The number is limited to 1,000 from all parts of the state. All expenses will be paid by the War Department.

**DELUSION**

Dr. Charles P. Steinmetz, a philosophical socialist, has no delusions on the question of governmental operation of industries. "Apparently everything favors public operation," he says, "low interest charges, no dividends to pay, no legislation to fear—and yet government, state and municipal operation is a failure. Successful government operation of industries, railroads or public utilities, is inherently impossible under a democratic form of government."

**WHOLESALE PRICES ON THE INCREASE**

An increase of one and one-fourth per cent in wholesale prices in March as compared with February was shown in figures on 404 commodities announced today by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the Department of Labor. Building materials and metals again showed the greatest advance in price, the increase for commodities in these two groups averaging three and seven per cent, respectively. Smaller increases were recorded for food, clothes and clothing, chemicals and drugs, house furnishing goods and miscellaneous commodities.

In the food group, raw sugar averaged eighteen and two-tenths per cent higher and granulated seventeen and six-tenths per cent higher in March than in February. Fuel and lighting, with an average decline of two and seven-tenths per cent, showed the only decrease of all the commodity groups, due to further declines of bituminous coal prices.

Of the 404 commodities on which the averages were based, increases were shown in 189, decreases in seventy-nine and 136 were unchanged.

Compared with March a year ago, the general level of prices showed an increase of twelve per cent.

Metals and metal products were thirty-six and seven-tenths per cent higher; building materials, twenty-seven and seven-tenths higher; clothes and clothing, eighteen and seven-tenths per cent; farm products, ten per cent, and miscellaneous commodities, eight and five-tenths per cent.

**RELIGION IN CITIES**

Is the man of the cities less open to religious influence than the man of the country? So it is asserted by a Methodist minister of New York. We might point out that so far as New York is concerned—but why quibble?

The minister's viewpoint is that of the poet Wordsworth, who seemed to feel that city life was a kind of varnish which idealism and spirituality could not penetrate. It amounts to the assertion that the more you see of man the less you think of God.

This is to divorce religion and business, religion and society, religion and intelligence. It is to insist again on the religious importance of the hermit.

Such a view of the world is meaningless. It simply signifies that man is not made for man, but for separation. It is a vote of lack of confidence in the Creator.

Mrs. Ducharme and two daughters of Redondo boulevard accompanied Mr. Ducharme on his trip on the Yale to San Francisco last week. Mr. Ducharme is employed on the boat and they all had a most enjoyable trip.

Mrs. Leta Castle, aged fifty-nine years, passed away at her home, 203 North Grand avenue, San Pedro, Friday morning, and was buried in Sunnyside cemetery, Long Beach, Saturday. Mrs. Castle was the mother of Mrs. Arthur Lindgren, who formerly lived on East Weston street, her mother residing with her the last two years they lived in Lomita.

**SOAP SUDS WILL INCREASE LIGHT**

A pan of soap suds is one of the most effective means yet discovered for increasing electric illumination. Electric lamps often get dirty, especially in the kitchen, where there is grease and steam.

Tests made recently disclosed that four classes of dirt often collect on electric light globes. They are dust and dirt, oily and greasy dirt, acid fumes deposits, and spots of paints, tar and varnish.

After the globes have been washed in soap and water their average light increases was shown as follows: Dust and dry dirt, seventy-eight and four-tenths per cent; oily dirt, grease and acid fumed globes, 147 per cent; paint, varnish and tar spotted globes, sixty-seven and two-tenths per cent.

When washing the globes reasonable care should be taken to prevent breakage of filaments through rough handling.

**A LITTLE HORSE SENSE**

Why is it the average young man of twenty has an intense longing for life in the big cities? Why is it that millions of men of maturity in the cities have an equally intense longing for the peace and quietude of the rural districts they left in their younger days? The country town does not blaze with the bright lights of life as do the cities. It is small, but is as solid, and substantial, and inclined to be subdued. Its citizens' words are as good as their bonds, and their reputations stand high in the sight of their fellow-men, but the variety and excitement that appeals to youth is too often missing. Hence youth becomes fretful, and impatient of restraint, and finally breaks the home ties and rushes into the maelstrom of metropolitan existence.

Once in the great city, possibly one in ten succeed, and a few forge gradually to the front. In time these few are known to the world as self-made men.

Opportunities are numerous, it is true, but where there is one opportunity there are many young men of varied experience waiting to grasp it. Thus the great majority of young men from the country who invade the cities expecting to set the world afire find that about the best they can do is to burn the candle at both ends. Too proud to go back to the home town and confess failure, they just plug along and do the best they can, disillusioned and wiser, but not better off.

They are the millions who, later in life, long for the peace and quietude of the home towns they left in their younger days. The remedy is simple. Pull the home town out of the rut and the boys won't want to rush out of town. Loosen up on the purse strings and introduce some spice and variety into our community life. Make the country town and farm so attractive to our young people the city will no longer appeal to them.

Don't expect our boys and girls with red blood in their veins to be content with spending their lives in a cemetery. Begin to live yourself, and you won't be opposed to allowing the rising generation to do the same. Life is full of changes, and there is only one end for the person who is not willing to change with the times. Call this a sermon if you like. We call it horse sense.—Downey Champion.

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THURSDAY AND FRIDAY, May 10 and 11

**Tom Mix in "Just Tony"**  
Mermaid Comedy  
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SATURDAY, MAY 12

**Ben Turpin in "The Shriek of Araby"**  
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